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## REMARKS

Claims 1-49 and 54 are pending in the application. Claims 40-49 and 54 are withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner as directed to non-elected inventions.

Claims 1-39 are currently the subject of an election of species requirement.

In the Office Action, the Examiner required an election of species from each of species groups A, B, C, D and E. In response, applicant hereby elects, without traverse:

- A) from species group A, an agent or condition as listed in Claims 6-9 or 12, applicant elects a "repellant" as the agent;
- B) from species group B, permanent compound, e.g. polymeric material, Claim 3, non-polymeric material, Claim 4, lubricant, Claim 11, applicant elects "polymeric material;"
- C) from species group C, Effector molecule, Claims 16-18, 21-24, 27 and 34, applicant elects a "drug" molecule;
- D) from species group D, mode of movement of effector molecules through the porous support, applicant elects "active" transport by "pumping;" and
  - E) from species group E, living organism, applicant elects "nematodes."

Applicant maintains that the following claims are readable on the elections: 1-3, 5-7, 10-36 and 38-39.

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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the submission of this Communication. However, if any fee is required to maintain the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to withdraw the amount of any such fee from Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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